

ADDITION OF LANDS TO GOSHUTE INDIAN RESERVATION

MAY 7, 1996.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, from the Committee on Resources,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 2464]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Resources, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 2464) to amend Public Law 103-93 to provide additional lands within the State of Utah for the Goshute Indian Reservation, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of H.R. 2464 is to amend Public Law 103-93 to provide additional lands within the State of Utah for the Goshute Indian Reservation.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

H.R. 2464 would amend Public Law 103-93 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 8000 acres of surface and subsurface estate held in trust by the State of Utah. Once acquired, those lands, plus about 400 acres of public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management, shall be held in trust by the United States as part of the Goshute Indian Reservation in the State of Utah.

This is a non-controversial measure supported by the Board of Trustees of the Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, the Bureau of Land Management, local county officials, and the Utah Wilderness Coalition.

The Goshute Indian Reservation would receive the lands from the State of Utah, and in exchange, the Utah Trust Administration

would receive compensation based on an appraisal to be paid for by the Goshute Tribe and/or the Federal Government.

COMMITTEE ACTION

H.R. 2464 was introduced on October 11, 1995, by the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands Chairman James V. Hansen (R-UT). The bill was referred to the Committee on Resources, and within the Committee to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands. On October 26, 1995, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 2464, where all of the witnesses (including the Administration) testified in support of the bill. Witnesses included Matt Millenbach, Deputy Director of the Bureau of Land Management; John Paul Kennedy, general counsel to the Goshute Indian Tribe; and John A. Harja, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees for the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration for the State of Utah. On December 19, 1995, the Subcommittee met to mark up H.R. 2464. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered favorably reported to the Full Committee by voice vote in the presence of a quorum. On April 25, 1996, the Full Resources Committee met to consider H.R. 2464. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered favorably reported by voice vote to the House of Representatives, in the presence of a quorum.

SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. ADDITION OF CERTAIN UTAH STATE LANDS TO GOSHUTE INDIAN RESERVATION

This section amends the Utah Schools and Lands Improvement Act of 1993 to add approximately 8,000 acres of surface and subsurface estate (as depicted on the map entitled "Additional Utah-Goshute Exchange" dated July 1, 1994) to the Goshute Indian Reservation. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to acquire through exchange the lands belonging to the State of Utah, to be held in trust for the Goshute Indian Tribe. The Goshute Indian Tribe will be responsible for payment of the costs of appraisal of the lands to be acquired, which shall be paid prior to the transfer of the lands.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

With respect to the requirements of clause 2(l)(3) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and clause 2(b)(1) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Resources' oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in the body of this report.

INFLATIONARY IMPACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 2(l)(4) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee estimates that the enactment of H.R. 2464 will have no significant inflationary impact on prices and costs in the operation of the national economy.

COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Clause 7(a) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires an estimate and a comparison by the Committee of the costs which would be incurred in carrying out H.R. 2464. However, clause 7(d) of that Rule provides that this requirement does not apply when the Committee has included in its report a timely submitted cost estimate of the bill prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XI

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(l)(3)(B) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, H.R. 2464 does not contain any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures.

2. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(l)(3)(D) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has received no report of oversight findings and recommendations from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight on the subject of H.R. 2464.

3. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(l)(3)(C) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for H.R. 2464 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, May 3, 1996.

Hon. DON YOUNG,
*Chairman, Committee on Resources,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed H.R. 2464, a bill to amend Public Law 103-93 to provide additional lands within the State of Utah for the Goshute Indian Reservation, and for other purposes, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on April 25, 1996. H.R. 2464 would add a provision to the Utah Schools and Lands Improvement Act of 1993 to transfer land currently held by the State of Utah to the federal government, which would hold the land in trust for the Goshute Indian Tribe. CBO estimates that enacting this bill would have no significant impact on the federal budget, nor would it affect direct spending or receipts. Therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

H.R. 2464 contains no intergovernmental mandates, as defined in Public Law 104-4, and would impose no direct costs on state, local, or tribal governments. This bill would authorize a land exchange between the State of Utah and the Department of the Interior (DOI). This exchange would be voluntary on the part of the state. The lands acquired from the state would be added to the Goshute

Indian Reservation. The bill provides that the tribe would pay for the appraisal of the acquired lands. This cost also would be voluntary—a condition of acquiring the lands—and CBO estimates that it would not be significant. In addition, the bill would impose no new private sector mandates.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Rachel Robertson, and for the state, local, and tribal impact, Marjorie Miller.

Sincerely,

JUNE E. O'NEILL, *Director*.

COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC LAW 104-4

H.R. 2464 contains no unfunded mandates.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Committee has received no departmental reports on H.R. 2464.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

In compliance with clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

UTAH SCHOOLS AND LANDS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1993

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SEC. 11. ADDITIONAL GOSHUTE INDIAN RESERVATION LANDS.

(a) *FURTHER ADDITIONS TO GOSHUTE RESERVATION.*—In addition to the lands described in section 3, for the purpose of securing in trust for the Goshute Indian Tribe certain additional public lands and lands belonging to the State of Utah, which comprise approximately 8,000 acres of surface and subsurface estate, as generally depicted on the map entitled “Additional Utah-Goshute Exchange”, dated July 1, 1994, such public lands and State lands are hereby declared to be part of the Goshute Indian Reservation in the State of Utah effective upon the completion of conveyance of the State lands from the State of Utah and acceptance of title by the United States.

(b) *AUTHORIZATION.*—The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to acquire through exchange those lands and interests in land described in subsection (a) which are owned by the State of Utah, subject to valid existing rights.

(c) *APPLICATION OF PRIOR PROVISIONS.*—(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the remaining provisions of this Act which are applicable to the lands to be transferred to the Goshute Indian Tribe pursuant to section 3 shall also apply to the land subject to this section.

(2) The Goshute Indian Tribe will be responsible for payment of the costs appraisal of the lands to be acquired pursuant to this section, which costs shall be paid prior to the transfer of such lands.

SEC. [11.] 12. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

